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Virginia documents pertaining to Richard Wright and William Wright VAS5107
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To the Executive of Virg'a.

Your petitioner Thomas Wright a citizen of the county of Prince William, being one of the heirs at law of William Wright, Rich'd Wright and John Wright [S41384], who were soldiers from the state of Virg'a in the War of the Revolution, respectfully represents that William Wright above named he has been informed was in the North Western army and that he is not sufficiently informed so as to state what Reg't he belonged to in that service. He further states that the above named Richard Wright and John Wright he has been informed were regular soldiers by enlistment in the Army but he is not sufficiently informed as to the Reg't. & company they belonged to say any thing on those matters. All three of s'd Soldiers went from Prince William Co. Richard he has been informed acted in the capacity of Muster Master. The death or removal of almost all of the revolutionary Soldiers and officers necessarily prevents your petitioner proving such parol evidence of he is confident could have been done some years since, and he prays that his claims for himself & his sisters & brothers who are with him the heirs of all of the above named soldiers may be referred for examination, and believes that the records of the country may shew their enlistments & services. He prays such an allowance of Land Bounty as is customary in such cases, and that warrants may issue for the same. He further states that the heirs who have not executed this memorial reside in the s'd. county of Prince Wm. and have executed a power of attorney to a friend to draw such lands as may be allowed and being informed that a petition is required in order to get an examination of the claims, to be executed and qualified to by one of the claimants he hopes this may be deemed suitable & sufficient. The names of the remaining heirs are Frances Loveless, Molly Reno, John Wright, Wm. Wright, Mary Wright & Lucy Wright who at the time of executing the s'd. power of attorney were not apprised of the necessity of a petition or they would have executed that also.

[17 April 1835]

[signed] Thomas Wright

A return of men belonging to the State of Virginia who served in the first Partizan Legion, Commanded by Brigadier General Armand, Marquis de la Rouerie [Charles Armand BLWt2291-850] discharged the 15th November 1783.

Names	Rank	What years enlisted.
John Wright	private	1782.

Signed/ Armand de la Rouerie

The foregoing is truly extracted from a Roll of Men belonging to Armands Legion, to be found in 2nd Vol. of Papers concerning the Army of the Revolution.

Given under my hand at the Auditors Office Richmond this 2nd day of Nov'r. 1838.

Jas. E Heath Aud

Report upon the claim of the heirs of Wm Wright dec'd, Richard Wright dec'd and John Wright dec'd soldiers of the virginia Continental line, for bounty land for their services.

To the Governor

Sir These claims have been presented, unaccompanied by any evidence to support them. I report the following facts, which are prov'd by Public documents – to wit.

1st of Richard Wright and his services. Richard Wright was a Soldier of Cavalry of the Continental line. A certificate issued, June 29, 1784, for £50.0.5 the balance of his full pay & which certificate was deliver'd to Colo Strother. (See army Reg'r. of the Continental line.) It does not appear, that he has

receiv'd bounty land for his services. There is no proof of the term of his enlistment and service.

2nd of William Wright and his services. The name of William Wright appears four times on the army Register of the Continental line. William Wright, Sergeant of Infantry. b.L. receiv'd, Dec'r 10 1783, a certificate for £19.13.8, the balance of his full pay &c (see army Register of the Continental line.)

A certificate issued, 9th of november 1784, in the name of William Wright, for £16.2.8 the balance of his full pay &c, which certificate was deliver'd to Mr. Bailey. (see Army Reg't. C.A.)

A certificate issued, in the name of William Wright, a soldier of Infantry of the Continental line, April 9, 1783, for £27.1.2 the balance of his full pay &c which certificate was deliver'd to General [Daniel] Morgan. (see army Reg'r. Cl.)

A certificate issued august 14, 1783, in the name of Wm Wright, soldier of Infantry, for £48. the balance of his full pay &c, which certificate was deliver'd to Anthony Haden. (see Army Register of the Continental line.)

A William Wright was a Soldier in Captain Mark Thomas' Company of Infantry, in the Illinois Regiment. It appears from a payroll and muster Roll of Captain Thomas' Company down to the 30th of november 1781 that William Wright, a private, was paid from the 14th of november 1779 to the 30th of november 1781 & from another Payroll, that he was paid for services down to the 21st December 1781. For reason's, which I have given in my Report to the governor upon the claim of John Burriss, or Burroughs, and which it is unnecessary to repeat here, I believe that Capt. Thomas' Company was a regular Company of the Illinois Regt., enlisted for three years or during the war; and that the men were entitled to bounty land. Captain Thomas himself receiv'd bounty land for a service of 8 years.

William Wright, a soldier of Infantry, of the Continental line, received 200 acres of land for his services.

3rd of John Wright and his services. John Wright was a soldier in General Armands Corps, enlisted for the war, and discharg'd november 15, 1783; and has receiv'd his bounty land from virginia, for a service to the end of the war. (see doc. No. 34 p. 4 headed "Armonds Corps" &c. Journal of the House of Delegates Sep'r 1833-34.)

A certificate issued April 30, 1785, in favor of John Wright, for £10.4 the balance of his full pay &c which certificate was deliver'd to Richard Bennett. (see Army Reg'r. C.L.)

a John Wright soldier of Infantry of the Continental line, receiv'd December 1st 1784 a certificate for £20.0.4 the balance of his full pay &c (see army Reg'r C.L.)

John Wright receiv'd, november 8th 1783, a certificate for £56.6.10 the balance of his full pay as a Soldier of Infantry of the Continental line, for services prior to the 1st of January 1783; which certificate was deliver'd to Mr Hunter. (see Army Register C.L.) He receiv'd also 100 acres of land for his services.

A certificate issued to John Wright, a soldier of Infantry of the Continental line, Feb'y 4th 1783 for £36. the balance of his full pay &c; which certificate was deliver'd to John Garland. (see Army Register C.L.) He also receiv'd 100 acres of land for his services.

A certificate issued June 14, 1782, in the name of John Wright, for £36. the balance of his full pay, for services as a Soldier of Infantry prior to the 1st Jan'y 1782; which certificate was deliver'd to S. Walker. (see Army Register C.L.)

A certificate issued 24th of September 1780, in the name of John Wright, Soldier of Infantry of the Continental line, for £49.17. the balance of his full pay &c which certificate was deliver'd to Mr. Hawkins. (see Army Reg'r C.L.)

John Wright, a sergeant of the Continental line, receiv'd June 9th 1783, a certificate for £34.2.9, the balance of his full pay &c. (see army Register C.L.). He receiv'd also 200 acres of land for his services.

Thus it appears, that John Wright was a private in Gen'l armands Corps, and serv'd to the 15th of november 1783 and has receiv'd bounty land from virginia, for a service to the end of the war – that the name of John Wright appears Six times as a private, and once as Sergeant, on the army Register of the Continental line and that two privates and a Sergeant of this name, besides the Soldier in General Armands Corps, have receiv'd bounty land from virginia. Respectfully submitted

John H Smith Com'r. &c.
may 18th 1835

1835 May 25 Rejected

To his Excellency David Campbell Gov. of Virg'a.

Your Memorialists Tho. Wright, John Wright, Mary Wright, Lucy W. Wright and Frances Loveless and Molly Reno of Prince William County Va. respectfully state that they are the heirs at law of William Wright who was a soldier in the N. W. Army in the war of the Revolution as they have been informed and do believe to be the fact; and they respectfully ask that land bounty such as was promised to soldiers in that service may be allowed to them and they will ever pray &c.

Molly Renor Frances herXmark Lovelace William Wright Mary Wright
[17 Sep 1838]

To his Excellency David Campbell Gov. of Virg'a.

Your Memorialists Thomas Wright, John Wright, William Wright, Mary Wright & Lucy W. Wright represent that they are the children of John Wright dec'd. who was a soldier in the Virginia Line and that they are the nephews & nieces of Richard Wright who was a soldier in the Virg'a. Con'tl. Line as they are informed and do believe and they pray that land bounty, such as was promised to soldiers in the same service may be allowed to them for the services of said John and Richard Wright and they will ever pray.

[signed] William Wright
[17 Sep 1838]

Rich'd Wright was pensioned under the Act of 1818 & see Doc. 44 p. 49 Sol. of Cavalry – Smith's report.

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